



Welcome to Year 6

September 2025

Start of day: 8:50am End of day: 3:15pm

Key Stage Two Phase Leader

Miss Raper

Classes in Key Stage Two

Y3: Mrs Hall and Mrs Harland

Y4: Miss Raper

Y5: Mrs Heasman

Y6: Mr Proud

Staff working with your children this year:

Mr Proud

Mrs Campbell

Mrs Durance

Mr Tinjod (French specialist)

Dear parent/carer,

A big welcome back from all of us in Year 6. All the staff in Year 6 are so excited to work with you and your child over the next year. Please remember that all members of staff are happy to speak with you at any time over the year regarding the learning and well-being of your child. Do not hesitate to contact us via our online platform (E-Schools) or by contacting the school office (01740 630270). Alternatively, we are happy to discuss any issues with you during morning or evening handovers provided we have additional supervision for our class.

Please find below some important information for this year.

Thank you for your support and we look forward to an exciting year ahead.

Y6 Key Topics:

Autumn

Ancient Greece

Classification of living things

Evolution

Spring

Rivers/Industrial Revolution

Circuits

Summer

Our Changing World

Light and Sound

Our Bodies

Educational Visits:

Robinwood Residential

Durham Cathedral

Darchem Engineering

Tees Barrage

We have a number of on-site educational visitors in school this year including a pantomime performance from M and M Theatre Group. We will provide half-termly updates via the school newsletter.

PE:

The designated day for Y6 PE is Wednesday. PE kits are required to be brought into school each half-term so that we can have flexibility with the weather for outdoor PE.

Throughout the year, children will have the opportunity to take part in a range of sporting events at Stockton Venues and will complete additional swimming sessions.

Below is a guide to homework. Please note we may issue other homework as appropriate. We use E-Schools to set and mark homework.

Day	What I need for school today	Homework Expectations
Monday	Reading book	Weekly Spellings issued (Please note that spellings won't be sent out until the week after Robinwood, 15 th September)
Tuesday		
Wednesday	PE kit	
Thursday		
Friday		Homework set every Friday to be completed by the following Friday. Maths and English will be online via Educake (the children will receive details of this shortly) or Times Table Rock Stars. Each term I will also issue a Topic Homework Grid, which has different activities the children can choose to complete. The first set of spellings will on eSchools on Monday 15 th September and the First Homework will be set on Friday, 19 th September.

KS2 SATs

Year 6 is the year of SATs (statutory assessment testing). This is a statutory test set by the department for education; SATs assess English, Maths and Science. We will be working hard in class to ensure that the children are well prepared but completing their homework regularly will also be of huge benefit to their preparation. It will also help to prepare for them for their next step into secondary education. Please note that SATs will take place the week commencing 11th May 2026. It is essential that children attend school as much as possible in the lead up to and delivery of these assessments. We will also offer some additional after school booster sessions in the spring term to help the children further prepare.

A Love of Reading

We will be reading a lot of fantastic books as part of our English lessons including: Skellig, Percy Jackson and Holes but I would also like to encourage the children to bring their books from home to enjoy in their free reading time. We have also purchased a lot of new books for our school library, which the children will get to visit every Friday afternoon. Y6 pupils will become 'Reading Buddies' to support the younger children with their reading fluency.

Developing good comprehension and reading fluency is essential. Attached is a list of the top fifty recommended books for your child's year group.

You may enjoy reading them together.

<https://www.booksfortopics.com/booklists/recommended-reads/year-6/>